# **VIRTUAL LIONS TRAINING**

## **2020 - CLUB PRESIDENT**



## e-PARTICIPANT MANUAL (PM)

# **Building a Bridge into the Future**



# What is the future we want to create? What is the bridge we want to build?

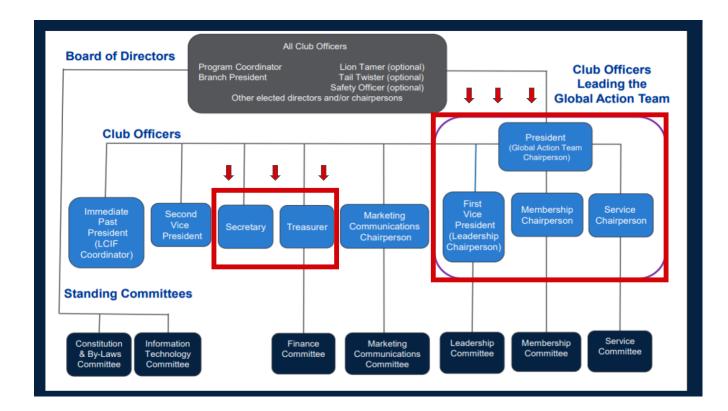
#### SESSION OBJECTIVES

At the end of this session, participants will be able to:

- Explain the role and responsibilities of the club president
- Develop and put the club plan into action
- Plan and manage a meeting
- Access additional resources as needed

#### PRE-ASSIGNMENT

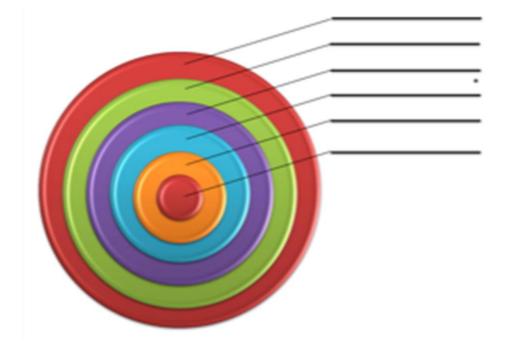
- 1. Print Participant Manual (PM) for note taking.
- 2. Complete pages 3 and 4 in this PM.
- 3. Review President's Monthly Planner.
- 4. Preview President and Vice President's e-Book.



#### Section 1: Introduction

Structure of Lions Clubs International

(Fill in the blanks as you see fit)

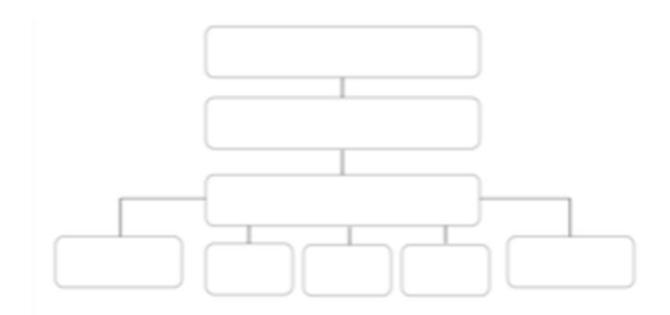


- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ clubs make up a zone.
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ clubs make up a region\*.
- 3. A district is comprised of \_\_\_\_\_ clubs with \_\_\_\_\_ active members.
- 4. Several districts in a given area comprise a \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 5. Each Lions club is in one of seven \_\_\_\_\_.
- \*Regions are optional

#### Section 2: Your Club Leadership Team

#### Club Organizational Chart

(Fill in the chart)



As president, you are the chief executive officer of the club!

• You have limited power (no absolute authority) and your authority to act comes from

directives from the board of directors, club members and club's constitution and bylaws

• You work in cooperation and have shared responsibilities with your board of directors

The board of directors includes:

- the president
- the immediate past president
- vice presidents
- secretary
- treasurer
- Lion tamer (optional)
- tail twister (optional)
- membership chairperson
- any other elected directors

Monthly	Notes	Resources
Events: Club Meetings:	<ul> <li>The club meeting is the time to focus on the great service the club is providing the communities it serves.</li> <li>Prepare Agendas. Work with your club secretary to organize, prepare and distribute the agenda for club meetings.</li> <li>Lead the meetings, including keeping the meeting on track with the agenda to make the best use of Members' time.</li> <li>Follow-up after the meetings. Complete any follow-up required after a meeting in a timely fashion. Check Minutes for needed follow-up.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Your Club, Your Way</li> <li>Hosting LCI guests</li> <li>New Members Induction Ceremonies</li> <li>LCI Video Presentations</li> <li>Resource Center</li> </ul>
Board of Directors Meetings	<ul> <li>Focus on working "in" the business: this includes both the business functions of the club, and the programs operations.</li> <li>Agendas – Be sure to set an expectation that all officers and chairpersons report to a monthly basis to ensure transparency of operations.</li> <li>Minutes and committee report - Communicate prior to the board meeting to provide reminders to officers.</li> <li>Follow-up – Keep the club active with meeting all of its fiduciary and due diligence obligations to the association and any local governing body as required by local law.</li> </ul>	
Quarterly Meetings Zone Meetings	<ul> <li>Zones consist of a group of 4 to 10 surrounding area clubs.</li> <li>A zone meeting includes club officers from these clubs</li> <li>Usually. Meetings are held during the first three quarters of the fiscal year, led by your zone chairperson.</li> <li><i>Often times the zone chair asks a club to report regarding service, membership or other events.</i></li> </ul>	• The Model District Governor Advisory Committee Meeting
Annual Events The Annual Club Business Meeting and Elections	<ul> <li>Elections are usually held at the beginning of the fourth quarter (April).</li> <li>As club president, you are responsible for the work of the nominations committee.</li> <li>The nominations committee will provide information for the names of those who have been nominated for officer and director positions.</li> <li>See "Exhibit" in the Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws.</li> </ul>	Refer to the <u>Standard Club</u> <u>Constitution and By-Laws</u> for the provisions regarding elections.
District/Multiple District Conventions	<ul> <li>You may also be called upon to assist with several tasks associated with the district or multiple district conventions.</li> <li>Work with the club secretary to complete any requested registrations for district events.</li> <li>Check with the convention organizers for the opportunity to participate in the printed convention program ad pages or club reports.</li> <li>Process documents and any local club endorsement requirements for members running for higher officer positions.</li> </ul>	• The delegate formula is defined in The International By-Laws, Article IX.
Constitutional Area-wide Events International Events	<ul> <li>Lions Clubs International Forums</li> <li>All Lions are invited to participate in the event where the Forum is held.</li> <li>All Lions are invited to participate in these events.</li> </ul>	

#### Club Meetings, Districts/Multiple District Conventions, and Constitutional Area-wide Events

## Meeting Preparation Checklist

STEP	NOTES	COMPLETE (✔)
1. Determine tasks and desired outcomes		
2. Determine actions to meet outcomes		
3. List agenda items &	Agenda item - Person responsible	
4. Coordinate guests and speaker		
5. Set timeframe	Date confirmed: Start time: End time:	
6. Finalize logistics (as needed)	Zoom Meeting: Location and room: Materials: Equipment: Food and beverage:	
7. Create agenda	(See sample agenda)	
8. Communicate with members and speakers	Agenda and supporting materials sent? Speakers prepared?	
9. Set up room/Zoom Meeting	Check seating: Put out materials: Check equipment functioning: Check lighting, heating/air-conditioning, etc.	
10. Prepare yourself	<ul> <li>(This final step is the MOST important! Even if other things go wrong, your meeting will be successful if YOU are prepared!)</li> <li>Organize materials</li> <li>Sequence speaking notes</li> <li>Think positive thoughts</li> </ul>	

## Sample Meeting Agenda

ITEM	DETAILS	APPROXIMATE TIME
Call to order by president		7:00 pm
Introduction of guests	Past District Governor Lee	7:05 pm
	Mayor Armstrong	
	Mrs. Pierce from local high school	
Reading and approval of minutes of previous meeting		7:10 pm
Program	Guest Speaker: Mrs. Pierce discussing possibility of Leo club at local school and describing existing service projects of students	7:15 pm
Unfinished business	Continue discussion of project for elderly	7:30 pm
	Report on results of fund raiser	
	Report on activities of membership committee	
New business	Discussion of potential Leo club	7:50 pm
	Other	
Recognition	Recognize efforts of fund raiser chairperson and committee	8:25 pm
Adjournment	Announcement of next meeting time/place	8:30 pm

A typical meeting agenda may include the following:

(Guest speaker, dinner, entertainment, etc.) may either precede or follow the business portion.

### **Facilitation Skills Checklist: INFORMATION**

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Make sure that audience has all the material they need to understand each agenda item.	
Organize your thoughts for clear presentation.	✓
Read through your presentation before the meeting or practice it with another person.	✓
Be brief and to the point.	✓
Avoid unnecessary information.	1
Allow people to ask questions or make observations, but table lengthy discussions to a more	1
appropriate time.	
Employ good presentation skills:	✓
Eyes	
Maintain eye contact	
Do not read from notes	
Voice	
• Vary tone	
• Pause frequently	
• Use appropriate volume and pace	
Body movement	
• Use hands/body naturally	
Balance stance	
Vary gestures	
• Do not "fidget" with pens, pointers, or other objects	
Language	
Use appropriate vocabulary level for audience	
• Define new or technical terms	
Avoid "jargon" and confusing figures of speech	
Other:	1
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### Facilitation Skills Checklist: DISCUSSION/DECISION

Distribute any materials that the audience may need to review.	1
Invite participation.	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>
Set discussion rules for time and enforce them.	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>
Clearly state "what" it is the group is to decide.	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>
Make sure that all of the facts of the topic are clearly understood.	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>
Allow all points of view to be presented, but keep the discussion focused.	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>
Remain non-judgmental.	
When the discussion gets off track, remind people of the focus and table anything that can be	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>
handled at a different time.	
Use standard meeting procedures, such as Roberts Rules of Order (a guide for conducting	
meetings and making decisions as a group).	
Employ the following discussion facilitation skills:	1
• Active listening (Paraphrase and summarize frequently)	
Ability to involve participants	
Ability to manage participant behavior	
Tact and diplomacy	
Other:	1
Other:	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>
Other:	1

### **Facilitation Skills Checklist: RECOGNITION**

Prepare well in advance.	1
Assess recent projects and achievements.	1
Discuss recognition with club and committee leaders	1
Get to know members and the things they enjoy to provide appropriate recognition.	1
Review LCI formal recognition programs frequently to determine eligibility for formal awards.	1
Provide recognition that is appropriate and meaningful to the recipient.	1
Make the recognition specific and timely.	1
Set aside a special portion of time during the meeting specifically for member recognition.	1
Be SINCERE!	1
Other:	1
Distribute any materials that the audience may need to review.	1

## **Meeting Follow Up Checklist**

Step	No	tes	Complete
1. Logistics			
Problems			
Next meeting			
2. Evaluation for improving future meetings			
3. Meeting minutes			
4. Follow up on action items	Responsibility	Person(s) responsible	

## Sample Format: Meeting Minutes

Date:	
Start Time:	
End Time:	
Attendees:	
Main Purpose of Meeting:	
Unfinished business: discussions, decisions	
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
New business: discussions, action items (with responsibility)	
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
Speaker/Program Description	
Recognition:	
Next Meeting Date:Time:	_Location:
Items for Next Agenda:	
Recorder:	

## **Resources:**

You can gain additional insight and information by familiarizing yourself with the documents and taining material on the following Lions Clubs International website.

#### Webpages:

- Club Officer Orientation
- The Leadership Resource Center
- The Lions Learning Center
- Lions Clubs Member Resources
- Managing a club References:

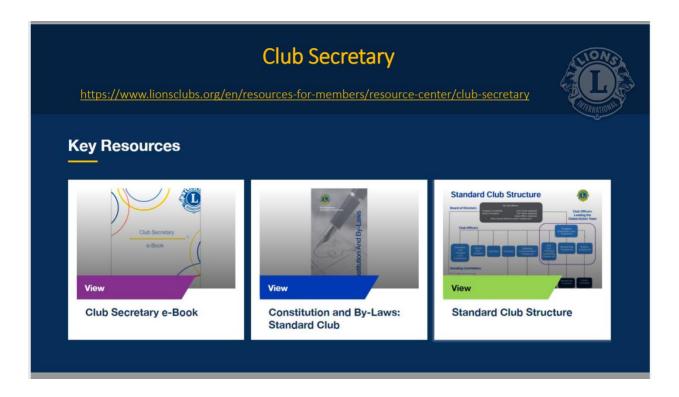
**Purchase Club Items Online at the LCI Shop-** the Club Supplies Store is an easy way to order the most common club supplies and Lions Clubs International branded merchandise.

Here are some of the most frequently requested items:

- Club Meeting Supplies This section of the club supplies online catalog contains gavels, gongs, meeting forms, and member name badges.
- New Member Kits These kits help make a new member feel special with a Lions pin, Certificate of Membership and a membership card.
- Lions Apparel This area contains club vests, shirts, caps and other popular clothing items; many that may be customized with your club's information.
- Peace Poster Kit Please note that these kits are available for purchase only from January 15 through October 1 each year.
- Awards and Medals Browse this department for various medals and certificate hold













Note: A separate training session will be provided on MyLCI and MyLion.